

**HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring Harry Guyer Leslie, former Governor of Indiana from January 14, 1929 to January 9, 1933, and to rename State Road 26 Bridge over the Wabash River between West Lafayette and Lafayette, the "Governor Leslie Memorial Bridge."

Scholer, Brown T, Klinker

_____, read first time and referred to Committee on



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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring Harry Guyer Leslie, former Governor of Indiana from January 14, 1929 to January 9, 1933, and urging INDOT to rename the State Road 26 bridge over the Wabash River between West Lafayette and Lafayette, the "Governor Leslie Memorial Bridge".

Whereas, Harry Guyer Leslie was born in West Lafayette, Indiana;

Whereas, Harry Guyer Leslie played football while attending Purdue University and miraculously survived the tragic train wreck in 1903 that killed sixteen of his fellow team members in Indianapolis;

Whereas, Harry Guyer Leslie was known as "Skillet" in his school days when he not only played football but also served as athletic manager;

Whereas, After recovering from his serious injuries, he graduated from Purdue University and went on to receive his law degree from Indiana University;

Whereas, Harry Guyer Leslie served on the Purdue Alumni Association board;

Whereas, Governor Harry Guyer Leslie is the only Governor of Indiana who graduated from Purdue University;

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Whereas, Harry Guyer Leslie opened a law office in Lafayette and became involved in Tippecanoe County politics;

Whereas, Harry Guyer Leslie, being committed to bringing young people into politics, founded the Purdue College Republicans in 1904;

Whereas, Harry Guyer Leslie was elected County Treasurer in 1912 and 1914;

Whereas, Leslie Avenue and the West Lafayette High School venue on North Grant Street has long been known as Leslie Field honoring his memory;

Whereas, As Governor, Harry Guyer Leslie led Indiana through the Great Depression, during which time he called a special session in 1932 to reduce taxes and expenses of government;

Whereas, Harry Guyer Leslie also served as Speaker of the Indiana House of Representatives from 1925 to 1927;

Whereas, Following his time as governor, Harry Guyer Leslie founded a life insurance company in Indianapolis of which he became president;

Whereas, Harry Guyer Leslie died December 10, 1937:
Therefore,

Be it resolved by the house of Representatives
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,
the Senate concurring:

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly honors
2 former Governor Harry Guyer Leslie and urges INDOT to
3 rename the State Road 46 bridge over the Wabash River
4 between West Lafayette and Lafayette, the "Governor Leslie



1 Memorial Bridge."

2 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
3 Representatives is directed to transmit a copy of this
4 resolution to the Indiana Department of Transportation, Mr.
5 James Hawley of the Tippecanoe County Area Plan
6 Commission, Mr. Kyle Kasting of the College Republicans,
7 Mr. John M. Leslie, Mr. Thomas N. Leslie and Mrs. Martha
8 Brooks.

